

## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### **Funding Announcement**

# **Customer Investment Fund Building Operator Training Program**

The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) is announcing the availability of funds for building operator training in eligible properties in the Baltimore Gas & Electric utility territory.

#### What is this opportunity?

This opportunity provides reimbursement for an applicant's staff to attend building operator training. No guarantee of certification is conveyed; two test attempts may be funded for each certification. Certification is not a condition to receive reimbursement.

#### What is the funding period?

Funding is available until the earlier of June 30, 2017, pending State approval, or until funds have been fully expended.

All invoices for reimbursement must be submitted by June 1, 2017.

#### How much funding is available for training?

Up to \$250,000 total funding.

#### What are the eligible training criteria under this announcement?

Building operation personnel may take a variety of approved classes related to energy management, lighting, HVAC, indoor air quality and more. Training must meet one of the following criteria:

- 1. Provided by a qualified trainer / testing proctor accredited by the Northwest Energy Efficiency Council (NEEC) as an instructor in the Building Operator Certification program; or
- 2. Building Energy Certificate (BEC) or Building Systems Maintenance Certificate (SMC) training from a BOMI International accredited Training provider; or
- 3. Lighting energy savings testing and training by an accredited provider under the International Association of Lighting Management Companies or
- 4. Building Operation and Performance training and certification under the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) Certification Programs.

The referenced certifying organizations may be found at the links below. Courses may also be approved on a case-by-case basis.

Building Operator Certification<sup>TM</sup> <a href="http://www.theboc.info/about/approved-provider/">http://www.theboc.info/about/approved-provider/</a>

http://www.bomi.org/

http://www.nalmco.org/

 $\underline{https://www.ashrae.org/education--certification/certification/opmp-operations-and-performance-management-professional-certification}$ 

Training attendees must be responsible for the energy management of the facility or facilities where they are employed, or have a direct impact on their energy performance.

#### How will organizations receive funding?

Applicants will be reimbursed after staff has attended classes pre-approved by the Department. Associated costs, including but not limited to: employee time, travel, food, lodging, etc., are not eligible.

Reimbursement is subject to the applicant:

- 1. Submitting the Building Operator Training Application (attached hereto) to the Department;
- 2. Receiving pre-approval from the Department for a training course(s);
- 3. Submitting proof of attendance via a certificate of completion or other similar documentation and;
- 4. Submitting a copy of the paid training invoice.

Details of the program, including reimbursement level and eligibility requirements, are subject to change without prior notice. Contact Thomas Walz at thomas.walz@maryland.gov or call 301-429-7737.





#### **Building Operator Training Application**

**Note:** Building Operation Personnel can take a variety of approved certification or classes related to energy management, lighting, HVAC, indoor air quality and more. The incentives are designed to cover 100% of the enrollment costs. Associated costs, including but not limited to employee time, travel, food, lodging, etc., are not eligible for funding.

The Attendees must also be responsible for the energy management of the facility where they are employed, or have a direct impact on the energy performance of the facility.

Please return completed form and supporting documents by email to:

Email: multifamilyenergy.dhcd@maryland.gov

1. Applicant/Property / Management Company								
Name:				Title:				
Address:								
City:	State:	Zip Code: Te		Teleph	elephone:			
2. Facility Information								
Facility Name: Ut			Utility Pr	ility Provider:				
Facility Address:								
City:	State:	Zip Code:						
Building Type:   Single Room Occupancy (SRO)in shared housing facilities with five (5) or more units								
☐ Townhouse developments ☐ Garden Style Apartments ☐ Mid-rise Apartments ☐ High-rise Apartments								
Authorized Facility Representative:			Title	Title:				
Cell Telephone:	Wo	Vork Telephone:			Email:			
3. What systems are associated with this building? (Select all that apply)								
☐ HVAC equipment ☐ Building controls/EMS ☐ Refrigeration ☐ Compressed Air ☐ Motors ☐ Building Envelops								
☐ HVAC Controls ☐ VFD/ASD for Motors ☐ Industrial Process ☐ Water Heating ☐ Other								
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4. Attendee Information								
Name:			Title	Title:				
Facility Address:								
City:	State:	Zip Code:			Telephone:			
Experience								
Education Highest Level :   GED High School College Masters								
Trade Certification (Union, Journeymen, Etc.)				Desired Course and Cost :				

5. Attendee Information								
Name:				Title:				
Facility Address:								
City:	State:	Zip Code:		Telephone:				
Experience								
Education Highest Level :   GED High School College Masters								
Trade Certification (Union, Journeymen, Etc.)				Desired Course and Cost:				
Note: Attach additional pages if necessary with Employee's Information.								
6. Application Certification and Signature								
The applicant must submit proof of attendance via a certificate of completion or other similar documentation and a copy of the paid invoice to receive a reimbursement. Each class and Certification test must be preapproved by the Department prior to registration and attendance.  Eligibility is limited to Building Operations and Maintenance personnel assigned to Properties in the Baltimore Gas and Electric service territory. The property must be located in the Baltimore Gas & Electric utility service area.								
Sign:				Name: Date:				

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